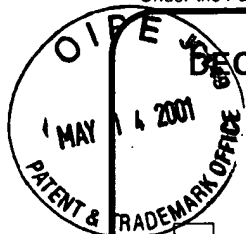


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Attorney Docket Number 2048-039
First Named Inventor David L. Goodale

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Application Number 09 / 780,804
Filing Date February 9, 2001
Group Art Unit 1743
Examiner Name

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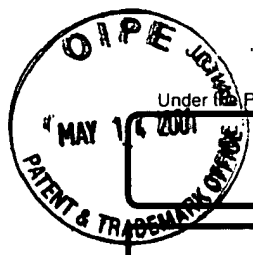
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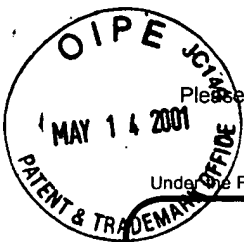
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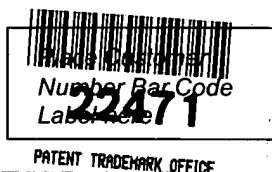
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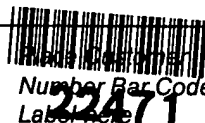
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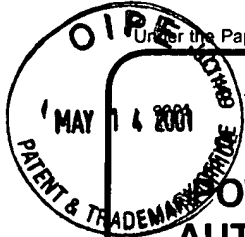
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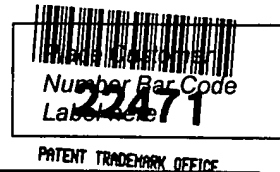
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